Forecast for Saturday and Sunday:
Virginia-Generally fair Saturday and
Sunday, fresh to north winds.
North Carolina-Increasing cloudiness
and warmer Saturday, probably rain in
southern portion. Sunday fair, fresh north
to east winds.

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Effort Will Be Made to Push the

SPOONER PHILIPPINE MEASURE.

There Are Indications That it Will Be Shelved, and the Philippine Policy Left Entirely in the Hands of President-Canal Bill Will Be Temporarily Displaced.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 .- There were a number of Republican Senators at the Capital to-day, and they were in informal onference during the greater part of the time concerning the business likely to came before Congress during the approach-

Among those who participated in these incetings were Senators Allison, chairman of the Committee on Finance; Frye, president pro tem of the Senate; Lodge, a leading member of the Foreign Relations Committee; Platt, of Connecticut, a member of the Finance Committee, and Hale, chairman of the Committee on Naval Af-

contemplated amendment to the war revenue law. Senators Aldrich, Lodge and Piatt were together for some time on this latter subject, and had with them Representatives Payne and Dalzel, of the House Committee on Ways and Means. So far as the Senators express d themselves, their expressions were favorable to making the revision so thorough as to relieve the work entirely of the possibility of having it considered of temporary character, in order to prevent the reopening of the subject at the next session of Congress. They think that if the question should be en-tered upon at the beginning of a long session an entire revision of the tariff might be attempted. This they would avoid.

They all gave some indication of their views of the changes to be made, favoring the removal of the extra tax from articles not returning a large revenue, and leaving it on the more productive articles. The tendency seemed to be against any moval of the beer or tobacco tax, and

SHIPPING SUBSIDY BILL.

There was also considerable discussion
of the shipping subsidy bill, and it was made evident that there will be a strenuous effort to have this measure made the unfinished business in place of the Spooner bill for the regulation of public administra-

Monday next, after the adjournment of the Senate.

Senator Frye is giving his special attention to this subject, and expresses his determination to push the bill as fast as possible. All Senators spoke of the inutlity of the Spooner bil, and said that for the present, at least, no effort would be made to legislate along the lines suggested by that the research.

except upon a vote or by general con-sent. With reference to the canal bill there was manifest in the various talks some disposition to have it await action of the Hay-Paunceforte Treaty, and the sug

as the bill stands it will be injurious to the export trade, while representatives of the New York and Pacific Steamship Company, who were also with the Senator, expressed the opinion that unless full subsidies were granted to foreign built ships they would be operated at a loss.

Senator Frye said that the bill was now in an exprest stane as seemed possible to

senator Frye said that the bill was now in as perfect shape as seemed possible to get it, and that he did not see the advisability of making any amendments.

A meeting of friends of the measure will be held in this city to-morrow to consider those and other objections to the bill.

Congress With President's Message.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.-President Hulin, of the Panama Canal Company, called by appointment upon Secretary Hay to-day and had a long talk with him touching

day and had a long talk with him touching the prospects of the Panama Canal as af-fected by the probable legislation at the approaching Congress.

The Panama Company has as yet made no official tender of the property to the State Department. It has, however, presented to the Isthmian Canal Commission a full statement of the affairs of the com-

In the case of the Virginia Fertilizer Company, of Farmville, reported for offercising a choice of its own, as between the Nicaraguan and the Panama routes.

The Canal Commission is making a strenuous effort to finish its preliminary report, which, according to promise, was to be delivered to the President to-day.

It is now said that the document will be sent to Congress as an accompaniment of the President's message, and that meanwhile it will probably not be made public. It is evidently the intention of the administration to press canal legislation upon Congress cannestly and speedily from the very beginning of the session. It is all that before final action can be had in the Senate upon the pending House hill the Government will have succeeded in remeding obstacles which now ite in the congressmen and Senators from Virginia to support what is known as the Grant bill, having for its object the protection of the dairy interests of the country against the sale of oleomargerine.

administration's influence will be cast in favor of the pending bill.

There may have been several conferences of late between Secretary Hay on one side,

and Senores Correa and Calvo, the Ministers for Nicaragua and Costa Rica, respectively, and it is believed that by way of anticipating action upon the Hay-Paunceforte treaty, the bases have already been laid for the treaties with the two been faid for the treaties with the two Isthmian Republics, which would be necessary to give effect to the canal bill and to secure for the United States the exclusive right for the canal construction.

They Took a Long Drive and Discussed Congressional Programme.

dent and Speaker Henderson had an ex-tended conference this morning. They took a long drive together, at which, it

with Mrs. McKinley, who left at 10 o'clock for New York, and upon his return to the Executive Mansion found that Speaker Henderson was awaiting him. At the President's request the Speaker entered the carriage and they drove off together. The were gone almost an hour.

NAVAL MILITIA.

ergy, Z al and Ability. (By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 .- Lieutenant-Commander W. H. H. Southerland, the officer in charge of the Naval Militia, has

Twenty States are shown to have an organized Naval Militia, comprising in all for officers and 5,309 petry officers and enlisted men. Of the appropriations of \$60,000 for the militia, \$57,000 had been distributed among the twenty State organizations on

These cruises developed a deal of energy, ability and zeal among the officers and a like efficiency, together with a high state of discipline among the calisted

Lieutenant-Commander Southerland sets forth an array of facts to make obvious the absolute necessity of a national naval reserve in addition to the present militia

CARPET-BAG GOVERNOR.

Man Under Arrest in New York Thought to Be Ex-Governor Moscs, (By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, November 30.-Charged with obtaining money under false pretences, a man representing himself as Dr. William A. Fergusson, formerly of Galveston, Texas, but who is alleged by the police to be ex-Governor Moses, of Charleston, S. C., was arraigned to-day before United States Commissioner Shields, and held in ball of \$1,000 for examination on Thursday next.

The prisoner is said to bear a close resemblance to the notorious South Carolina Governor, of "carpet-bagger" lame, whose record is in every police headquarters in the country.

"Dr. Fergusson" was arrested on Tues-day last in complaint of Dr. Jarman, who alleged that Fergusson had swindled him out of a small sum of money, and was constantly annoying him. The Federal authorities wish to send him to Washington where he is wanted on charges of swind-

Dr. A. R. Shands, of Washington, appeared against him to-day.

CHARLOTTE GETS

Chosen Over Prince Edward at State Board Meeting

ing at New Ford's yesterday, and after deciding to establish a test farm in Charlotte county for experimenting with the growth of tobacco and other agricultural products, and attending to some other business, mostly of a routine nature, adjourned to meet in this city on Tuesday January 8th, 1901, when the fertilizer inspectors for the State will be selected for

the ensuing year.

All the members of the Board and Commissioner George W. Koiner were present at the meeting, and two sessions were

The most interesting matter disposed of was that of establishing the test farm, the counties of Charlotte and Prince Edward putting up hard for the plum. The committee, composed of Messrs. Barker, Beverly and Goode, appointed to recommend a suitable place, reported unani-mously in favor of Charlotte, and strong speeches were made by Senator D. Q. Eggleston, and several other prominent citi zens in favor of that county, while Judge Asa D. Watkins and Major A. R. Venable, Jr., spoke in behalf of Prince Edward. After hearing all the argument on both

committee, selecting the Charlotte county The farm which was selected is located

near Drake's Branch, on the Southern Rallway, and will be immediately pur-chased by the county of Charlotte from ts present owner and donated to the Board for the purposes named above. It is what is known as the "Sfiver Hill" farm; is owned at present by an Ohio man, and is said to be one ofe the most fertile and productive places in Southside Vir-

The Board will employ an expert farmer to take charge of the place, and it is un-derstood that preparations will be com-

OFFICERS SHOOT DOWN OFFICERS

Other for Moonshiners.

GEE AND CHAPMAN. NO PROMISE MADE.

Both Received Wounds from Guns Loaded With Buck Shot.

EXPLANATIONS FOLLOWED.

The North Carolina Officers Were Holding a Captured Still and Thought the Virginians Were Coming to Take It-Deputy Marshal Gee Talks to Petersburg Reporters,

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) PETERELURG, VA., Nov. 30.-Charles Gee, United States Deputy Marshal, who was wounded in Mecklenburg county yesterday, arrived in Petersburg this evening, and is now at the Imperial Hotel. The following are the facts of the shoot-

irg, as told by Mr. Gee to-night:
He, with Deputy Murshals John Chap-man and Sam Bendit, started out about midday to destroy an illicit distill said to be operated by Bradley & Brother. PRECAUTIONS. After arriving near the place where

still was said to be located, they hid their norses and wagons and started to walk in the direction given them. When they got within about five hundred yards from got within about the hundred yards from where they were going they heard firing and thought the mountainers were trying to frighten them. They then took extra precautions as they went forward. When they were within seventy-five yards of the they were within seventy-five yards of the still they saw three men occupying it with guns. They advanced toward them, call-ing to them that they were revenue offi-cers and had come to take possession of cers and had come to take possession of cers and had come to take possession of the still and destroy it, and didn't want to hurt any one.

THE SHOOTING. The firing commenced, but Gee and his marshals did not return the fire. But when Chapman fell, his side torn by buckshot, he fired one. The party in the building

ired six times.

Three buckshot struck Gee, two of them passing through his left arm and lacerating it.
Chapman's side was terribly torn by the shot. After Chapman had fallen, and the men, who were armed only with pistols,

saw the fire continue from the guns in the building, they finally let it be known the building, they finally let it be known that they wanted to surrender. THE POSSES MEET. When this was known in the house they ceased to fire, and the two parties went toward each other. When they met it was found out that the deadly firing from the

building had been done by Deputy Collec-tor Lewis, of North Carolina, and his An explanation followed. Lawis said he and his deputies had arrived at the still about half an hour before the Virginia party appeared, and had driven off those who were operating it. When Gee and his who were operating it. When Gee and his men came up they were mistaken for moonshiners, who Lewis thought had returned with reinforcements to take the property they had just surrendered. They had not heard the men say they were officially bed on the control of the control of

cers who had come to destroy the still. CARE OF THE WOUNDED. The care of the wounded then engaged the attention of all. Messrs. Gee and Chapman were taken at once to the home of Dr. R. S. Powell, in Brunswick county,

nd everything possible done for their re-Dr. J. E. Booth, of Petersburg, was tele-graphed for, and arrived last night. The men were suffering a great deal, but their condition was not believed to be fatal.

MR. GEE IN PETERSBURG. Mr. Gee arrived here to-night with Dr. Both. He was carried at once to the hotel, and after talking with members of the press, he was given sedatives and soon fell asleep. His physician believes he will be able to leave for his home in Prince George to-morrow evening or Sun-

day.

Chapman was taken to Gaston, N. C., by
Marshal Bendit, and while his condition
cannot be positively ascertained, it is not
believed that it will be serious.

LARGE STORE OF GOLD.

More Now in Treasury Than Ever

More Now in Treasury Than Ever Before.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—The largest store of gold coin and bullion ever held in the United States is now accumulated in the Treasury and its branches. The total has been rising steadily during the whole of the present year, and the amount is now \$474,108,356, or about \$76,000,000 greater than at the close of 1899. The increase up to June 30th was about \$23,000,000, but since that time has been about \$1,000,000 for July, \$6,000,000 for August, \$10,000,000 for September, \$18,000,000 for October, and \$47,000,000 thus far in November.

The gold is not all direct property of

\$17,000,000 thus far in November.

The gold is not all direct property of the United States, but is held against outstanding gold certificates. The amount of these, Pass the amount in the Treasury and its branches, was \$239,705,809 Wednesday. All the remaining gold, amounting to about \$23,000,000, belongs to the Treasury as a part of the reserve fund of \$150,000,000, or the free fund of \$93,000,000 in the general cash.

cash.

The influx of gold into the Treasury comes partly from the new gold from the Klondike and other mines; but its retension is due to the prissure for currency, which leads to the acceptance of gold certificates and other paper money in preference to coin.

The Treasury has recently been shipping small notes in large quantities to New cash.

The Treasury has recently been shipping small notes in large quantities to New Orleans and other points upon deposits of gold in the New York Sub-Treasury by the reserve agents of the Southern banks. The gold supply of the country on the last day of 1896 was estimated at \$692, 947,212. The estimated amount November 1st, 1900, was \$1,080,627,407, and it is probable that the report for December 1st will ble that the report for December 1st will show at least eleven hundred million dol-

Bank Clearings.

THE RICHMONDERS GIVEN A HEARING

Two Posses Take Each Strong Plea for Better Harbor Facilities.

The Delegation, However, Made a Strong Impression.

COMPROMISE MEASURE LIKELY.

Will Provide for a Depth of Eighteen Feet at Mean Low Tide-Captain Lamb Filed a Brief With the Committee, Covering Chief Features of Case.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 30 .- The river improvement delegation from Richmond had an informal meeting with members of the Rivers and Harbors Committee of the House to-day. The committee is not giving hearings, but through the intercess on of Captain Lamb, the delegation, which included Senator Martin, was given a cannoe by Chairman Burton to make its wants known.

THE SPEAKERS. The principal speakers were ex-Congressman Wise, W. E. Cutshaw, and W. H. Curtis, of Richmond. Attenton was called to the recommendation of United States Engineers Allen and Wilson in

favor of an ample appropriation to deeper the channel harbor to the locks, costing about \$700,000, and insuring a depth of twenty-two feet. MADE STRONG IMPRESSION.

The committee gave close attention to the arguments presented, but the con-ference resulted in no definite promise from the committee as to its probably action. It is generally understood, how-ever, that the delegation made a strong impression, and that some measure will be recommended to the House, which will give Richmond better harbor facilities. It is thought that a compromise measure will be suggested providing for a depth of 18 feet mean low tide. Captain Lambfiled a brief with the committee covering

VIRGINIANS IN THE CITY. Virginians in city to-day; Jno. H. and Mattie M. Down ng. Miss F. Jennins, Miss W. C. Kennerly, W. Y. Strike and wife all of Front Royal; C. M. Switzer and Chas. P. Janey. of Leesburg; Frederick Effinber, of Staunton; Mrs. James B. and Miss Mary Russell of Winehester; C. W. Chas. P. Janey. Effinber, of Staunton; Mrs. James B. and Miss Mary Russell, of Winchester; C. W. Jones, Fredericksburg, and Mrs. Ashcroft, and Miss Voss.

the main features of the case.

CLAIMS ON THE PORTE.

The Legation at Constantinople Believes Them Practically Settled.

(By Associated Press.) CONSTANTINOPLE, Thursday, Nov 29.-The opinion is expressed in Liplomatic circles "that the American claims arising from the Armen an massacres may now be regarded as practically settled, as an Irade providing for the building of a cruiser in the United States is officially

promulgated. The question of a consulate at Harpoot remains open, the Porte persisting in remains open, the Porte persisting in its refusal to grant an exequator to Dr. Thomas H. Norton. The moral effect, however, created by the presence of the United States battleship Kentucky at Smyrna, leads the legation to hope for an early arrangement of all outstanding differences.

No proposition has come to the United States Government from Turkey to the payment of the missionary claims, to the payment of an order for a war-Government from Turkey looking under the guise of an order for a war-

It is, of course, beyond the power the State Department to interfere with any arrangement that the Turkish Gov-ernment may enter into with American ship-builders and individual claimants.

RATTLE WITH DESPERADO.

Negro Surrendered Only After Being Twice Shot.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) BRISTOL, TENN., November 30 .- Officers Fennessee and Childress were engaged in a pistol battle with Lynn Carr, a desperate young negro man, at 10 o'clock to-night.

Carr entered a building when he saw

Carr entered a building when he saw the officers approaching, and fired upon them as they started up the stairway. The shots were returned, and, mounting a ladder on the outside, Officer Childress fired ten shots at the negro, who still stood his ground and kept up the firing from within. Carr surrendered only after he had been shot twice through the left

The officers escaped injury.

FATAL ACCIDENT IN PRINCE GEORGE

Young Gilbert Mahone Instantly Killed by Gun of a Comrade While Out Hunting. (Special Dispatch to The Times.)

PETERSBURG, VA., November 30.-Late o-night the news reached here of the ac-

to-night the news reached here of the accidental killing to-day, in Prince George county, of Gilbert Mahone, the fourteen-year-old son of Wm. Mahone, collector of customs in Petersburg.

Young Mahone went for a hunt Thahksgiving-Day and to-day also. The gun in the hands of Charles Simmons, a young comrade, was accidentally discharged, the entire load entering young Mahone's neck in the left side passed through the head. He died instantly. The body was taken to a house in the county, and will be brought here to-morrow.

The father is in Littleton, North Carolina, the eldest son at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, and the mother, with two small children, in Petersourg.

Gilbert is a grandson of the late General William Mahone, and was an unusual bright boy.

FINE PORTRAIT OF

- Last Night.

ELOOUENT SPEECHES

the Orators.

A LARGE CROWD WAS PRESENT.

Reads a Biography of His Comrado in Arms-Dr. Hoge's Picture Next Monday Night.

was the setting apart of next Monary night as the time for receiving a portrait of the late Dr. M. D. Hodge, to be pre-sented to the Camp by the R. E. Lee Camp, No. 1. Sons of Confederate Vete-

Commander Richardson presented Major Commander Richardson presented Major Charles S. Stringfellow in a few well chosen words, and the distinguished speaker made an eloquent and touching address in presenting the portrait of General Brander to the Camp. Major Stringfellow commenced by paying a beautiful tribute to the valor of the Confederate soldier, which elicited much applause from his hearers.

FOUGHT FOR THEIR LIBERTIES. In leading up to his subject, he dwelt eloquently upon some of the events preceding the war between the States, and contended that the Southern people fought

He said when Robert Lee lessgate he commission in the United States army and took charge of the Virginia forces, he was actuated by as lofty motives as those which animated the Father of his Country when he drew his sword in defense of Manufacture and the Manufacture and Manufactur battle-fields in the South's great struggle, and that no braver man ever followed a cause or displayed more courage and devotion than Thomas A Brander.

The speaker said that while there was no more brave or loyal soldier than Gen-eral Brander, yet, when he surrendered at

He spoke of General Brander's devotion to the work at the Soldiers' Home, with ch he was long connected in an official capacity, and of his great interest in Lee Camp, of which he was once com-mander. Major Stringfellow closed his remarks with a touching tribute to the private life and character of General Brander, whom he said was one of the noblest and best men of his time.

He said that, outside of General Brandet's family, none would miss him more than the inmates of the Soldiers' Home, whose faithful and devoted friend he had been since the establishment of the institution. He spoke of Major Brander's work and popularity in the Grand Camp, Con-federate Veterans, which he did so much to promote, and said that few men enjoyed a wider popularity among its mem-bers. After referring to his long personal acquaintance with and high admiration for General Brander, the speaker paid him the following beautiful tribute as a

"ris valor on many a bloody field is known to all men who served in the Army of Northern Virginia. His manly courage, his maiden purity of character and gentleness of disposition, linked him to his in the final fateful struggle at Appomat-tox, as recounted by his commanders, will ever be a lofty incentive to high action and noble deeds on the part of his de-THE WOMEN OF THE SOUTH.

Captain Woods closed his splendid speech

GEN. T.A. BRANDER

their names higher on the canvas of fame, yet among them all there is no one who bore a more blameless life, who exhibited higher traits of courage, and who better deserved the grand old mame of gentleman—than Thomas A. Brander."

After the reading of a biography of General Brander by Captain Thomas Ellett, the Camp adjourned.

WAR REVENUE BILL.

Opposition Has Developed to Some Features Agreed On. (By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.-Chairman Payne, of the Ways and Means Committee, issued notices to-day recalling the previous notice of a full committee to-morrow, to consider the bill for the re-

to-morrow, to consider the bill for the reduction of the war revenue.

The reason that the committee will not meet, it is stated, is because further information is wanted as to the desires of the Republicans in reference to this bill. Such features of the measure prepared by the Republican members as has become known have aroused considerable opposition, and it is probable that a conference or caucus of the Republican members will be held before a final decision is reached.

The greatest opposition that has developed comes from the brewing interests and representatives from districts where there is a great deal of beer manufactured, are making serious protests against the

are making serious protests against the action of the committee in not reducing the tax on beer.

There are some other interests which

There are some other interests which also are making protests, and Republican members of the House have tele-graphed their friends on the Ways and Means Committee that they think the proposed bill should be changed. The fact that the majority in the present House is but sixteen warns the Republican managers that a bill must practically be supported by the entire Republican membership in order to pass.

DISPATCH FROM REMEY.

Gives Names of Those Drowned in the Guam Typhoon. (By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 .- The Navy Department has received the following cablegram from Admiral Remey: "Cavite, November 30th-Official report

from Guam just received. Following men

from Guam just received. Following men drowned, 13th:
"Joseph Anderson, coal-passer; Jacob Harloymehaffy, appretida; fill-class, George Aubel, seaman: William Frederick Davis, fireman; first-class, Frank Swanson, coxswain.
"Two bodies recovered, but were unrecognizable, Governor reports danger of starvation. Asks 65,000 pounds flour,

20,000 pounds salt pork, 20,000 pounds rice; all for destinute natives. Shall I send by our cruiser? Brutus took ample stores for the present. Newark, Guam. (Signed.) "REMEY." Secretary Long has directed that the supplies be sent.

GERMAN SHIP STRANDED.

Rumor to This Effect Is Not Fully Credited.

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Nov. 20.—A Hamburg news-paper reports haying received advices that the German ship Flettbik, Captain Schoe-maker, which arrived at Yokohama Norember 16th from Port Tampa, has strand-

vember ioth from Port Tampa, has strand-ed, and that her situation was serious. The report is discredited, but it is be-lieved that probably some slight accident has occurred from which the report has

CHINESE LAUGH AT THE ALLIES

Remonstrances Amount to a Farce, Says Correspondent of Lon-

don Daily Post-

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Dec. 1.-3:30 A. M.-The Spectator, in a striking article dealing with the Chinese crisis, expresses the opinion that the mose recent developments at Pekin foreshadow a Chinese victory over

the alles. "The quarral has been brought to the test of force," it says, "and force on the civdized side has proved insufficient. This result is mainly due to the attitude of Russia and the United States. If China escapes with the payment of a small indemnity and mean provided in the payment of a small indemnity and mean provided in the payment of a small indemnity and mean provided in the payment of a small indemnity and mean provided in the payment of th escapes with the payment of a small in-demnity, and many promises on paper, as seems not unlikely, since Germany and Great Britain may not be willing to incur the expenditure and risk involved in persisting in their demands, it will be equivasisting in their demands, it wall be equiva-lent to a victory for China, for nothing has occurred which will convince the Chinese that their mighty Empress has been defeated or that Europe can avenge any future massacres."

AMOUNT TO A FARCIE

The Shanghai correspondent of the Morning Post, wiring yeste hay, says:
"Despite the cordial reception given Admiral Seymour, the situation is unchanged. The Han Kow Viecroy refuses to stop eu. The Han Row Victor Fertaes to sonding supplies to the Court unless the Nankin Viceroy will also refuse; and the latter, although he undertakes to send no more arms, says he must continue send-ing supplies so long at the Emperor requires them.
"In fact, all our remonstrances amount to a miserable farce. We have no courage to do more than to talk. In the Chinese theatre here the allies are represented by quires them.

uneatre here the allies are represented by a soldier with an enormous mouth, who does nothing but talk until his career is ended by decapitation."

"The Japanese consul here," says the Stanghoi correspondent of The Daily. "The Japanese consul here," says the Shanghai correspondent of The Daily News, "acting under instructions from Toklo, has withdrawn his assent to the consular proclamation forbidding the mportation of articles used in the manufacture of war materials. This action has caused general surprise.

"It is rumored that the Chinese are actively nurchasing arms and ammuni-

actively purchasing arms and ammuni-tion, and that the customs officials are conniving at the massage of this declara-tions under official instructions.

COLONEL YORCK DEAD.

Inhaled Gas from a Stove in His Bed-Room.

(By Associated Press,)

(By Associated Press.)

BERLIN. Nov. 30.—A special dispatch from Pekin to the Tageb. att announces that Colonel Yorck, commander of a German column, who was reported to be at the point of deach in consequence of inhaling fumes from a stove in his bedroom, died at H. valbal, by November 7th. His body will arrive in Pekin to-day.

OVERTURES MAY BE MADE BUERS

Statist Will Propose This to Government.

LOSING PRESTIGE.

and Boers Conciliated.

THE MILITARY INCOMPETENCE.

Gaining Ground That the British Are Incapable of Bringing the Struggle to a

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Nov. 30 .- To-morrow the Statist will propose that the Government should begin negotiations with Command-

This great financial journal will lead up to its proposal by an analysis of the situation in South Africa, and will say: "We are losing in every way, losing in

prestige and losing in trade. We are seeing our South African posssions plunged MILITARY INCOMPETENCE.

Military incompetence will be alleged, and the State and aver that military harshness should be avoided, and the Boers be conciliated.

"If men like Botha and Dewet voluntarily surrender, and bind themseives not to act against us in the future," and Statist will say, "Is there any good reason why a promise should not be given not to send them out of the country? Mr. Robinson suggests that Botha and Dewet should be invited to take seats in the Legislative Council that will be established. The suggestion is worthy of approval. The Boers should not be excluded, even from the beginning, from anything which can safely be given them." Boers be conciliated.

Kitchener Likely to Have Full Scope

LONDON, Dec. J.-4:30 A. M.-There is virtually no fresh news from South Africa this morning; but the retirement of Lord Wolsley, the return of Lord Roberts and the appointment of Lord Kitchener to the supreme command, occurring as they

REINFORCEMENTS NEEDED.

inforcements has not been compiled with, and insists that Lord Kitchener's hands must not be tied by any lack of men or, rses. It says:
If reinforcements are withheld or de-

strengthened. Bloemfontein is now pre-pared for any possible attack. Extra-scouts are out and guards watch the streets in the night time. Mines have been laid along the railway. The garn's sons on the Orange River Drifts are being increased.

increased.

At the same time measures are being taken to assist in the restoration of order and prosperity. The Pretoria correspeddent of the Dally Mail announces that "The British are distributing oats and seed potatoes among the surrendered Boer farmers at nominal prices, without

Local.

-Charlotte gets the test farm.
-Politics and politicians.
-Protest entered against the Eppes bld.

Republican Senators gather in Washington and discuss legislation.

Richmonders given a hearing by Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

Committee of fitteen named to formulate plans for vice crusade in New York.

President's message unlikely to be transmitted to Congress before Tuesday.

-Lord Roberts turns over supreme command in South Africa to General Lord Kitchener.

-Chinese question still in very unsettled state. London papers complain of attitude of United States and Russis.

-The Statist will propose to Government the making of overtures to Boera.

-Oscar Wilde died yesterday is

(Continued on Seventh Page.)

-Portrait of Gen. Thomas A. Brander presented to Lee Camp. -Flood confident of victory.

The wounding of Deputy United States Marshals Gee and Chapman was done by North Carolina United States marshals, who fired on them through mistake. Mr. Gee arrives at Petersburg.

—Col. James D. Erady dead. His successor will probably be Capt. Asa Rogers.

—Church Lewis, a living lead mine, will probably recover.

—Young Gilbert Mahone accidentally killed in Prince George county while hunting.

SENATORS GATHER IN WASHINGTON

Informal Conferences Held by Republicans.

FRYE SUBSIDY BILL.

Measure Through.

WAR REVENUE. Prominent in their deliberations was the

also against the removal of the tax on exchange transactions.

tion in the Philippines.

There is said to be no doubt now that this substitution will be attempted at the first meeting of the Committee on Order of Business, which probably will occur Monday next, after the adjournment of the Senate.

by that measure The effect of this decision will be to leave the Philippine question entirely in the hands of the President.

THE CANAL. THE CANAL.

If this programme can be carnled into execution, the Nicaragua Canal bill will be displaced, at least, temporarily. The canal bill is only a special order, and could not be used to displace unfinished business

the Hay-Paunceforte Treaty, and the suggestion was made on the part of at least one Republican leader that the canal legislation of this session should be confined to an authorization to acquire a property right of way for the canal.

Senator Frye, during the day, was in consultation concerning the shipping bill with representatives of the Merchants' Association, of New York, who urged that as the bill stands it will be injurious to the export trade, while representatives of

THE ISTHMIAN CANAL. Report of Commission May Be Sent to

(By Associated Press.)

pany, and the conditions upon which it might be willing to pass control of its property to the United States Government. The Commission will include Mr. Hulin's communication in its report, so that Congress will have before it material for exer-

PRESIDENT AND SPEAKER.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 .- The Presi-

understood, the programme for the coming session of Congress was discussed. The President had driven to the station

The Practice Cruises Developed En

made a special report to the Navy De-partment upon the operations of that or-ganization during the past year.

January 1st last.

The Navy Department assigned two vessels for the practice cruises of the mili-

Yesterday, The Board of Agriculture held a meet-

sides, the Board adopted the report of the

derstood that preparations will be com-menced at one for a crop in 1901. The whole tract contains 2,009 acres, and it is understood that the price to be paid by Charlotte county is \$\$,000. In the case of the Virginia Fertilizer Company, of Farmville, reported for offer-ing for sale a brand of fertilizer which does not come up to the standard analy-

Bank Clearings.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—The total bank clearings at the principal cities of the United States for the week ended November 30th, were \$1,782,744,032, an increase of 24.0 per cent., as compared with the corresponding week of last year.

Outside of New York city the total clearings were \$578,814,323, an increase of 9.8.

Der cent.

Major Stringfellow and Capt. Woods

Both Speakers Pay Eloquent Tributes to the Soldier, and Captain Ellett

A large crowd, including many ladies, was present at Lee Camp Hall last night to witness the presentation of a splendid portrait of the late Gen. Thomas A. Brander, given by one of his friends and admirers to R. E. Lee Camp, Confederate Veterans. A large number of veterans from the Soldiers' Home were in the audience. Eloquent speeches were made by Major Charles S. Stringfellow, of this city, and Capt. Micajah Woods, of Charlottesville, in presenting and receiving the portrait, and much enthusiasm prevailed. Commander D. C. Richardson presided, Commander D. C. Richardson presided, and Adjutant J. Taylor Stratton recorded. Prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. J. B. Smith, after which some routine business was transacted before the picture presentation was taken up. Chief among this was the setting apart of next Monday night as the time for receiving a portrait

from his hearers.

for their constitutional rights and their dearest librities. He said when Robert Lee resigned his

erai Brander, yet, when he surrendered at Appomattox he brought home with him no malice against those against whom he had wielded his knightly sword, but accepted the result as becomes a brave soldier.

AN ELOQUENT TRIBUTE. Commander Richardson then introduced Captain Micajah Woods, of Charlottes-ville, who received the portrait on behalf of the Camp in an execptionally eloquent

soldier: men and comrades in arms with hooks of steel. The historic recognition of his prowess as a soldier is perpetuated by special mention of his conduct in no less special mention of his conduct in his con-than five great battles by such leaders as Pendleton, Walker and Pegram, in their reports published in the official records of the war, issued by the Govern-ment of the United States. His conspicu-ous gallantry on the fields of Rich Mour-tain, of Fredericksburg, of Gettysburg, of Fort Harrison and Reams' Station, and

as follows:

as follows:
"Major Brander was a true and high
type of this class. He recognized that the
women of the South, in their heroic devotion to the cause, were the inspiration that animated the march and fired courage on the line of battle. His dream and hope was that, during his day, there should be paid to them—our Confederate makers, wives and sister—some splendid tribute in commemoration of their long-suffering and matchless idelity, while they watched and prayed and labored with more than Sparprayed and labored with more than Spartan fortitude, for their loved one who went forth to fight for their altars and their firesides. May this Lee Cump, which has done so much to perpituate the glorious deeds of our dead and living heroes, and so much to aid and solace our aged and dependent comrades, catch this inspiration and lend its highest efforts to see that here, in this Capital City of the Confederact, there shall be chiselled by some Phidian hand, out of marble purer than pentilican, a statue as chaste as Diana, as warlike as Minerva, and as beautiful as Venus, as a monument to the glorious womanhood of the South.

"In behalf of the members of Lee Camp

I accept this portrait. It will be at home among this galaxy of Southern heroes; while some of them may have written their names higher on the carvus of fame, there have no one who

Military Harshness Should Be Avoided

Tals Is Alleged, and the Opinion Is

Satisfactory Termination.

ant-General Botha and General Dewet to bring the war to a close. As the Boer leaders might misunderstand the motive of an overture from the military authorities, it will suggest that the highest authority in South Africa should begin the negotiations, if not Sir Alfred Milner, then the Chief Justice of Cape Colony, or even

into greater and greater distress, and the opinion is gaining ground abroad that we are incapable of bringing the struggle to a satisfactory termination."

DIFFICULT TASK.

for His Talents. (By Associated Press.)

do simultaneously, are keenly discussed.
Dispite some misgivings hearty approval
is generally expressed of Lord --tchener's
appointment.
It is felt that if any one can clear up

The Morning Post hants broadly that the

"If reinforcements are withheld or de-layed. Lord Kitchener may be paralyzed, with what consequences to the Empire no one can foresee. From thirty thousand to fifty thousand men are required."

All the editorials dwell with considerable emotion on the nation's debt of gratitude to Lord Roberts, who has "successfully piloted us through one of the darkest hours of our history." uneasiness felt. UNEASINESS FELT.

From Cape Town come indications of the uneasiness felt. All military posts throughout Cape Colony are being strengthened. Bioemfontein is now presented to the control of the control o

SUMMARY OF TO-DAY'S NEWS.

General.

Foreign.